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In the Matter of:

DJUSTMENT OF RATES F CUMBERLAND VALLEY)	CASE NO. 2005-00187
ELECTRIC, INC.)	

PETITIONER'S RESPONSE TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S MOTION AND AMENDED MOTION TO REQUEST SUBPOENAS ORDERING CERTAIN PETITIONER'S EMPLOYEES TO SUBMIT TO DEPOSITIONS

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Comes now the Petitioner, Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc., by counsel and for its response to the Motion of the Attorney General states as follows:

Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc., ("CVE") has no objection to the rescheduled hearing as requested by the Attorney General.

CVE objects to that part of the motion of the Attorney General which request that the Petitioner's manager, Ted Hampton, be ordered to remove himself from the taken of the requested depositions. The grounds for the Attorney General's request is "... in order that the Petitioner's employees would not feel intimidated or unduly oppressed in giving their sworn testimony." The Petitioner states that the first witness listed, Joe Carroll, is not an employee of CVE. Mr. Carroll is, in fact, a former employee of CVE. Therefore, the Attorney General's argument would not apply to Mr. Carroll. With respect to the other employees listed by the Attorney General to be deposed, the Petitioner would state that the reason stated by the Attorney General for taking these depositions is directly or

indirectly critical of the manner in which Mr. Hampton conducts the business for CVE. Accordingly, he should be able to personally hear those criticisms.

WHEREFORE, counsel for Cumberland Valley respectfully requests the Commission to deny the motion of the Attorney General for the exclusion of Mr. Hampton from the scheduled depositions on December 19, 2005.

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Re: Adjustment of Rates of Cumberland Valley Electric, Inc.

Attached please find Petitioner's Response to the Attorney General's Motion and Amended Motion to Request Subpoenas Ordering Certain Petitioner's Employees to Submit to Depositions.

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